

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Every five minutes a child in North Carolina is abused or neglected. Governor Michael J. Easley has proclaimed April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. The North Carolina Division of Child Development (DCD) is the state agency charged with regulating child care centers and homes and responding to allegations of child abuse or neglect in those facilities. DCD is committed to protecting all children cared for in regulated facilities across the state.

Click Below to read the Governor's proclamation:

[Governor Easley's proclamation](#)

The following websites contain information and resources that anyone can use to help protect children from abuse and neglect:

- Prevent Child Abuse America

<http://www.preventchildabuse.org/>

includes the following article in both English and in Spanish:

***five things you can do right now to prevent child abuse and neglect**

- Prevent Child Abuse North Carolina

<http://www.preventchildabusenc.org/>